

# O'Rourke Becomes Republic A. C. Matchmaker; Plans Kilbane-Dundee Bout for Polo Grounds

## Former Deputy Commissioner Takes Charge of Duties To-day

Club's New Official's First Move Will Be to Go to Cleveland to Offer Featherweight Title Holder Big Inducements to Meet State's Champion Here

By Jack Lawrence

Tom O'Rourke, whose resignation as a deputy boxing commissioner was accepted yesterday by the New York State Athletic Commission, announced last night that he had agreed to become the matchmaker for the new Republic Athletic Club, which is the organization that was recently granted a license to hold boxing exhibitions at the Polo Grounds.

Mr. O'Rourke will take active charge of his new duties to-day and his first move will be an effort to match Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion of the world, and Johnny Dundee, who is officially regarded by the boxing authorities of this state as the world's title holder in the featherweight division.

According to the present plans of the Republic Athletic Club, this bout will be the first attraction staged at the Polo Grounds, and it will probably be the only one held there this year. The license issued to the Polo Grounds for the purpose of holding boxing shows is good for one year. The persons behind the Republic have many interesting plans, but in view of the present baseball situation, with another Giants-Jacksone world's series in prospect, it is doubtful whether even one fistful show could be squeezed in.

### Plan to Seat 80,000

The plans for holding a boxing show in the shadow of Coogan's Bluff already have been made, and J. M. O'Connor, in whose name the license was issued by the Boxing Commission, said yesterday that the latest plans provided for a seating capacity of approximately 80,000.

The show which the Republic apparently expects to fill the seating acreage is a battle between Kilbane and Dundee, backed by an exceptionally fine card of preliminary bouts. In boxing circles yesterday, and among the fans who pay for their seats, it seemed to be the general impression that this bout would not prove to be a sufficient drawing power to fill the space allotted to it.

Mr. O'Rourke will leave here to-day for Cleveland, where he will have a sincere discussion with Mr. Kilbane as to the possibility of holding the battle with Dundee at the Polo Grounds. Just how the world's featherweight champion will greet Mr. O'Rourke, inasmuch as the latter is known to have been one of the leaders in the movement to restrict Kilbane, is a subject on which one might speculate extensively. Other promoters have gone to Cleveland on the same mission and have failed. Kilbane has said more than once that he would take on the best of the featherweights in a no-decision bout staged in Jersey or Pennsylvania. But he has not been able to get a fight, and he is now in a position to place his title in jeopardy by fighting within the limits of the State of New York.

### Carries Big Inducements

When Mr. O'Rourke sets forth for Cleveland to-day it is said that he will carry inducements, financial and otherwise, that will be sure to win the champion's signature to a contract. Mr. O'Rourke is sailing forth with the somewhat preconceived notion that Johnny Dundee will still be a drawing card in September.

It is the hometown Dundee will meet the always dangerous Vincent (Pepper) Martin. This bout will take place next week at the Velodrome. There are some experts who say that Vincent will never be able to lay a glove on the Scotch whirlwind. There are others, and not a few, who declare that Dundee is destined to share the honors of Babe Herman, the prominent featherweight who met destruction in one round against this same Martin person.

Yesterday Martin's backers were betting \$1 against \$3 that the Brooklyn boy wins the fight by a knockout. The battle between Martin and Dundee will be for the junior lightweight championship of the world, a title held by the veteran Italian.

Tex Rickard yesterday sent a cable to Eugene Criqui, Europe's remarkable featherweight, offering him a match with the winner of the Dundee-Martin scrap. Criqui has been fighting above the featherweight limit in recent months, and it is probable that he would be induced to come here and fight for what has become known as the junior lightweight championship of the world.

Don McKittrick represents Criqui in this country and he agreed several months ago with the management of Madison Square Garden to have the French boy meet Kilbane. No favorable word was forthcoming from Cleveland and the match fell through. McKittrick said last night, however, that the terms offered by Frank Flounoy, matchmaker of the Garden, for a match between Criqui and the winner of the Dundee-Martin scrap were very reasonable and that he saw no reason why the meeting should not be arranged.

Criqui, even if he gets a bad start here, is apt to make a hit with American boxing fans. He has a great reputation in Europe, and the fact that he stopped Charley Ledoux has given him followers on this side of the Atlantic something about which to think. Ledoux stood off the best of the bantams in this country.

### Lynch Would Defend Title Against Criqui

World's bantamweight champion Joe Lynch is prepared to contest any of his rivals. Eddie Mead, his manager, announced yesterday that Lynch would like to get a crack at Eugene Criqui, French featherweight champion, when the latter arrives here. According to Mead, Criqui absolutely refused to meet Lynch in the inter-Allied boxing tournament held at Albert Hall, England, two years ago.

Lynch returned from Saratoga Springs the other day and has resumed training.

## 11 Starters for Gold Challenge Powerboat Race

DETROIT, Aug. 21.—Eleven starters are assured for the twentieth annual race for the gold challenge cup of the American Powerboat Association, to be held during the regatta here September 1, 2, 3, and 4. It was announced tonight by officials of the association upon expiration of the time limit for entering. The possibility that a few others might be entered was seen, as applications for entry placed in the mails to-day will be honored, it was announced.

Seven of the runabouts that will engage are entered from Detroit, two are from Minneapolis, Minn., one from Hamilton, Ont., and another from Buffalo. All entrants are runabouts of not less than 25 feet water line length, five feet minimum beam and are equipped with engines not to exceed 625 cubic inches. A speed of between 40 and 45 miles an hour is probable, it is announced.

Among those entering are Win Wood, of Minneapolis, brother of Gar Wood, of Detroit; P. H. Gray, of Minneapolis; R. H. Sidway, of Buffalo; F. G. Ericson, of Hamilton; Catherine Smith, of Detroit, daughter of Chris Smith, the Algonquin racing boat builder, and several representing a local boat and engine company.

The race will be three heats of 30 miles each around a two and one-half mile course.

### U. S. Rifle Team Sails To-morrow for Milan

The team of expert riflemen chosen by the National Rifle Association to represent the United States at the world championship in Milan, Italy, in September sails from New York on the President Adams to-morrow for Cherbourg. Included in the combination is Forest Stokes, of Washington, who will defend his title of champion of the world won last year at Cologne. The team goes first to Cologne for training with the American forces in Germany, then to Milan in time for the matches, which are to be held from the 12th to the 20th of September.

### Miss James to Swim Final Race Labor Day

Miss Hilda James, Europe's greatest girl swimmer, will make her last appearance in this country in the 600-meter race which will feature the aquatic meet scheduled in the Brighton Beach open-air pool on Labor Day afternoon. This is to be an invitation to the American's premier mermaids will be asked to oppose Miss James before she sails for England.

Miss James holds the world's record for 300 and 440 yards and she will try to surpass her best previous figures to commemorate her last race here.

### Joe Leonard to Box At Commonwealth S. C.

Joe Leonard, protege of Billy Gibson and brother of Benny Leonard, has been matched to box in a special event at the Commonwealth Sporting Club of Harlem on Saturday night against Harry Varella, the Harlem lightweight.

Now Valger offers to combat the champion within the hempen square. "The Flash" says he will go along fighting all contenders until Leonard discovers from his ring injuries. Then, Benny says, he will try to force the lightweight king into a match.

### White Mountain Golf Tournament Begins

MAPLEWOOD, N. H., Aug. 21.—The qualifying round of the White Mountain amateur golf championship was played here to-day at the Maplewood Club, 105 entrants starting. Many of them were from New York, including Wallace Lyon, David Leggett, A. W. Seeler and Arthur Corwin, of Boston. Present holder of the title, the low score in to-day's practice round was 74, brought in by James Hunter, of North Adams, Mass.

### Circuit Races Switch Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Aug. 21.

Four days of Grand Circuit racing will open at the Hudson River Driving Park to-morrow with promises of fair weather and good track conditions. The 2:08 trot, purse \$2,000, scheduled for the first day, is expected to be one of the banner events of the meeting.

## In the Limelight Among the Women Tennis Stars



Miss Edith Sigourney, Mrs. Marion Zinderstein Jessup, Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory, Miss Helen Wills

## Anderson Will Join His Tennis Partners at Longwood This Week

James O. Anderson, who has been in the Adirondacks since he was taken ill, just before the France-Australia Davis Cup match at Boston, on August 10, will rejoin his teammates at Boston this week, according to announcement of Gerald L. Patterson. The captain of the Australian team, which has won the right to play the United States for the Davis Cup at the West Side Tennis Club, Forest Hills, September 1, 2 and 4, was in New York yesterday on his way to Boston.

He was accompanied by Mrs. Patterson and by Pat O'Hara Wood, the third member of the team, whose splendid playing against Spain at Philadelphia last week helped his team come through successfully after their chances had been lessened by Anderson's enforced lay-off.

Patterson said he has practically recovered from the sprained ankle which slowed up his play last week and made him wary of taking chances. He pulled a ligament slightly in making one of his tremendous service aces against Cobert in their memorable match at Boston, and since then he has been favoring it. It appears to be much better and he anticipates no further trouble from it.

Wood's lame shoulder also is improved, even though the strain of the matches against Spain was not the best treatment in the world for it. The warm weather has helped Wood a bit.

"Give me some more of good, hot days and I think I will be back out all right," said Wood just before he started for Boston. "In fact, I am hopeful that I am now practically rid of the trouble and won't be bothered with it any more."

Anderson said over the telephone that his rest upstate has been beneficial. "My cold is all cleared up and I am not bothered much with the cough," he said. "I have been resting most of the time and am regaining my strength, so I hope to be in first class condition for the challenge round."

"Yesterday I had a bit of a knock and found that I was hitting pretty well. Of course, I played only one set, because I was curious to find out how my legs would stand up after so many days away from the court. I was surprised to find that I felt strong and fit. Now I am planning to go over to Boston on Wednesday or Thursday and then I will have a chance to play some singles with Gerald and get my eye on the ball again before the big matches at Forest Hills. We all want to be in first-class shape for that because we are planning to give you a good fight for the cup."

"I stayed out of your doubles championship in Boston, deciding at the last minute that it would hardly be fair for me to go in and possibly run the risk of letting down Billy Johnston. He was so kind as to say he would play with me and I appreciated that a lot. It would have been great sport to have played with him. But when it was time to make the draw last week I was not so sure that I ought to play at Longwood, because I really must be sure to be right for the matches at West Side."

### Rifle Team Names Plans

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—The rifle team which will represent the United States at the international matches to be held at Milan, Italy, September 12 to 20, will train at Cologne with the American forces in Germany, it was announced to-day by the National Rifle Association. The team will sail from New York Wednesday on the steamship President Adams.

### New York Cricket Club Wins

Picked team of the New York Cricket League defeated the champion eleven of the Spartan Cricket Club by the score of 151 to 112 at Van Cortlandt Park yesterday. E. H. Margent, 46, and C. Joseph, 34 not out, were the principal run getters. The return match has been scheduled for Labor Day.

### Cards Release Benton

SYRACUSE, Aug. 21.—Announcement was made to-day to the effect that the St. Louis Nationals have released Pitcher Sidney Benton to the Syracuse International League club. He is the eighth St. Louis player to report here within a month.

### Hogans Win Ball Game

The Hogans of the 1st Ward beat the Flahertys of the 9th Ward in an exciting baseball game by the score of 8 to 7 at Manhattan Beach Ball Park.

## Women's Athletic Meets Attract Record Entry

A record entry has been received for the women's athletic meet which is to be conducted by the Metropolitan Association A. A. U. at the College of the City of New York Stadium, 136th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Saturday afternoon, September 16.

The full list of events are to be as follows: Open events—100 yards, 440 yards relay race (each to run 110 yards), 880 yards walk, standing broad jump, throwing the baseball, throwing the basketball, putting 8-pound shot and throwing the javelin.

Closed events (closed to the members of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Athletic League)—50 yards, 440 yards relay, standing broad jump, basketball throw and baseball throw.

Eastern League Bridgeport, 6; Hartford, 2; Springfield, 12; Albany, 2; New Haven, 7; Pittsfield, 0.

### Southern Association

New Orleans, 5; Chattanooga, 0. Mobile, 8; Memphis, 0. Birmingham, 2; Little Rock, 1. Atlanta, 6; Nashville, 5.

### Brooklyn Cricket Club Scores Another Victory

After dismissing Kings County for the total of 23 runs without permitting a single opponent to reach double figures, the Brooklyn Cricket Club earned another fine victory in the annual championship series of the Metropolitan District Cricket League at Bensonhurst yesterday.

The Brooklyn total reached 180 for the loss of eight wickets. A fine display of batting was displayed by C. M. Lauder and J. L. Poyer, who put on 76 and 65, respectively. G. A. Kay and V. H. Cockeram also contributed doubles. Harry Rushton and H. Poyer excelled in bowling for Brooklyn, while M. Kravitz, in addition to taking four wickets for 35 runs, performed the "hat trick."

### The Score:

KINGS COUNTY	
R. Pounder, b. W. W. Rushton.....	2
C. Hindle, b. H. Poyer.....	0
C. Hamsey, b. H. Poyer.....	0
W. Barker, b. Watson.....	0
A. Caplowitz, b. Lauder, b. Rushton.....	1
W. H. Morrison, c. Kay, b. Rushton.....	2
F. Lord, b. Rushton.....	0
M. Kravitz, c. Cockeram, b. Kay.....	0
E. J. Atwood, c. Cockeram, b. Kay.....	6
E. J. Colmer, not out.....	2
Extras.....	2
Total.....	23

### BROOKLYN

V. Evans, c. Atwood, b. Kravitz.....	9
W. H. King, b. Kravitz.....	0
J. H. Watson, run out.....	0
H. Rushton, c. Barker, b. Kravitz.....	0
G. A. Kay, b. Kravitz.....	76
J. L. Poyer, c. and b. Mitchell.....	65
J. L. Poyer, c. and b. Mitchell.....	19
H. Poyer, not out.....	1
Extras.....	8
Total (8 wickets).....	180

### Toledo Doesn't Want Dempsey-Brennan Bout

TOLEDO, Aug. 21.—Mayor Bernard Brough to-day refused to sanction the Dempsey-Brennan fight in Toledo Labor Day, and in a statement said that Toledo would not be the dumping ground for cast-off sporting spectacles of other states.

The Mayor's statement was precipitated by information that Ad Thacher, who promoted the Willard-Dempsey fight here in 1919, had made overtures for the staging of the fight here, following the decision of Governor McCray of Indiana to prevent it in that state.

### MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Aug. 21.

Floyd Fitzsimmons, promoter of the Jack Dempsey-Billy Brennan heavy weight contest, which Governor McCray refused to allow, announced to-day that he would stage an all-star boxing show in his arena on Labor Day at popular prices. The program probably will be arranged by to-morrow.

### American Olympic Body To Meet in November

The quadrennial meeting of the American Olympic Association has been called for Wednesday and Thursday, November 22 and 23. The place of the meeting has not been decided upon, but very likely will be held in this city or Washington.

### Wagner and Reislser To Box at Bayonne

Matchmaker Frankie Wagner of the Bayonne A. A. has signed up Johnny Reislser, the Bronx featherweight, and Billy Murphy, of Staten Island, as the principals for the final scrap Friday night. Harry Goldfund, who recently fought Willie Jackson a draw at the Sport Alliance in Brooklyn, will meet Willie Ferguson, the Paterson lightweight.

### O'Keeffe Association To Hold Outing Sunday

Many members of the sporting fraternity will participate at the annual outing and games of the Andrew O'Keeffe Association at Knab's Pavilion, Whitestone Landing, Sunday. The entire afternoon will be devoted to athletic events. E. W. Chanler, former Sheriff of Dutchess County, New York, and a party of friends have promised to attend.

## Wills Knocks Out Jackson in Second Round at the Broad A.C.

Negro Heavyweight Champion Disposes of His Dusky Opponent Quickly, Making Him Take the Count With a Right-Hand Blow to the Jaw

By Jack Lawrence

Harry Wills, colored heavyweight champion of the world, took a preliminary cocktail in Newark last night and knocked one Buddy Jackson into a comatose state after two minutes and fourteen seconds of battling in the second round. Buddy Jackson, weighing 194 pounds, and supposed to have thirty knock-outs to his credit, was easy money for Dempsey's next opponent. A couple of swift drives to the body, so fast that they couldn't be followed, were supported by a left to the chin. That blow needed only one more and Wills provided it nicely. He crossed with his right and the fight was over. The finishing round lasted just two minutes and fourteen seconds.

Wills amused himself in the first round by jabbing Jackson along the ropes and hitting him at will. It was apparent in this session that the end could not be far away. Jackson complained to the referee in the first round and again in the second, claiming that Harry was holding.

The second round had not progressed very far when Jackson turned to the referee and said that he had been fouled. The referee told him to go on and he rushed into a clinch. They were parted and there was a moment of sparring, followed by a flashing left that caught Buddy on the point of the jaw. The thrust hurt him, and he was trying to get his bearings when a crashing right wafted him painlessly into oblivion.

There were only about 8,000 spectators who saw this playful work-out for the man who is to meet Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight championship of the world. This may have been due to the fact that the armory in Newark was suddenly closed to this bout and it became necessary at the last minute to transfer it to the Broad Athletic Club.

### Mickey Brown Wins Bout in Freeport, L. I.

Mickey Brown won the decision tonight over Billy Murphy in a hotly contested twelve-round encounter at the Freeport Athletic Club, Freeport, L. I. Brown was aggressive throughout. He had several pounds weight advantage over Murphy. Brown took the last three rounds by a shade and he finished stronger than Murphy. In the twelfth Murphy appeared to be tired, but Brown wasn't able to knock him out. They weighed in as featherweights.

### Smith Beats Martone

Rocky Smith, of Battle Creek, Mich., easily defeated Harry Martone, of Jersey City, in a twelve-round bout before a large crowd at the Oakland A. A. last night. Smith had the better of seven rounds, two belonged to Martone and three were even. In the semi-final Johnnie Yarns, of Jersey City, won on a foul from Larry Ragan, of Bayonne, in the seventh round of a scheduled twelve round bout.

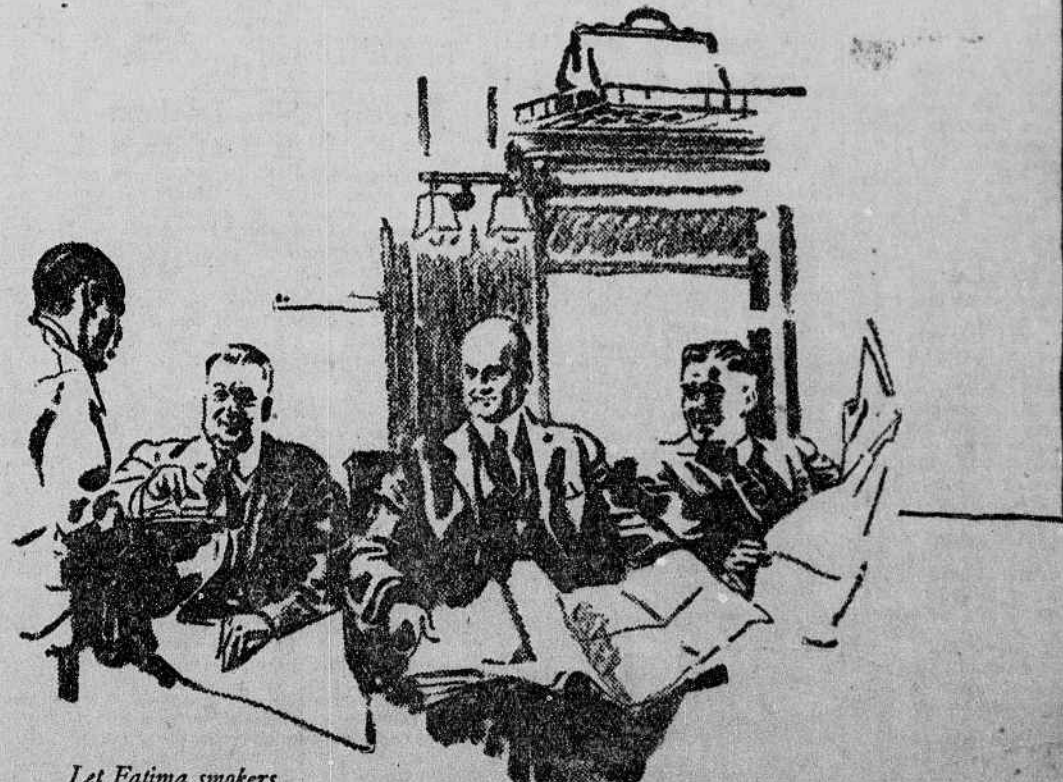
### \$3,500 Top Sale Price

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., Aug. 21.—The auction to-night of the sales paddock consisted of the dispersal of horses in training, stallions, brood mares and yearlings belonging to the Canterbury Farm, owned by J. Temple Gwathmey, of Warrenton, Va. Thirty head went under the hammer, bringing a total of \$32,600. The best price of the evening was obtained for the steeplechase horse of Bryn Mawr, bought by W. L. Powers, acting as agent, for \$3,500.

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